

Please do not let the big Bell "Wolves" own the chicken coop which they are already allowed to dominate. Competition is an absolute necessity. If the FCC lifts the dominant classification from the Local Exchange Carriers (Bells), it will limit competition to a duopoly consisting of a bell and a cable company. Competition in the American Telecom marketplace will be effectively eliminated. Free market requires competition and it is the best way to naturally insure "accountability" to each customer, like me. ISPs and CLECs will die and consumers will be deprived of choice and the FCC will be to blame for it. Chairman Powell: Please, please do not allow BIG BUSINESS to pressure or influence this decision, especially at the expense of competition from small businesses of our country.